PATENT: Mail Stop AF Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 07447.0061-00000 Xerox Ref. No. D/A0A25

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re	Applica	tion of:			
Eric GAUSSIER et al.			Group Art Unit: 2171		
Application No.: 09/982,236			Examiner: NGUYEN, Cam Linh T.		
Filed:	Octob	per 19, 2001	Confirmation No.: 7611		
For:	METHODS, SYSTEMS AND ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE FOR SOFT HIERARCHICAL CLUSTERING OF CO- OCCURRING OBJECTS				
Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450					
		NOTICE OF APPEAL U	NDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31		
Sir:					
	Applicants appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the				
Examiner's decision mailed December 21, 2005.					
	The item(s) checked below are appropriate:				
1.		A Petition for extension of time to respond to the final rejection was filed on [Date] extending the period for response to [Date].			
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	Respe	ctfully submitted,		
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